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Newark, N.J. --- Negro delegates, representing widely diverse viewpoints and interests, will gather in Newark, N.J. from Thursday, July 20, to Sunday, July 23, for a National Conference on Black Power. These delegates have been brought together to explore the concept of Black Power and its creative possibilities for Negro life in America today.

The Conference will open with a plenary session at 7:30 P.M. at the Hotel Military Park. According to Dr. Nathan W. Wright, Jr., Conference chairman and head of urban work for the Episcopal Diocese of Newark, sessions will deal with the creative possibilities of "black power" for unifying and empowering black Americans for the good of the total community.

The over 400 delegates will participate in 14 workshops on topics ranging from "Black Power and Economic Development" to "Black Power and American Religion." These workshops will hear and discuss papers presented by Negro scholars.

The Conference, which grew out of the 1966 Labor Day weekend planning session held in Washington, D.C. at the invitation of Representative Adam Clayton Powell, is sponsored by an ad hoc National Planning Committee with the cooperation of the Episcopal Diocese of Newark.